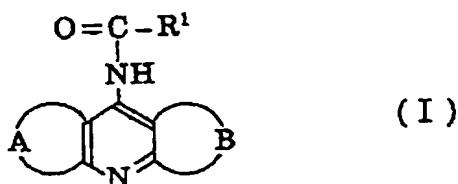


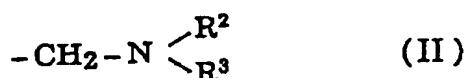
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

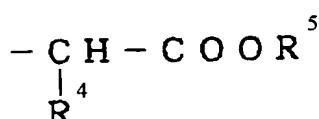
1. (Original) A therapeutic agent for schizophrenia, which comprises, as an active ingredient, a compound of the formula (I)



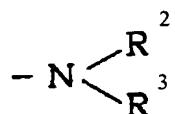
wherein R¹ is a C₂-C₆ alkyl group or the formula (II)



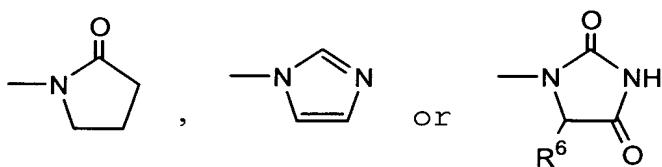
wherein R² is a hydrogen atom or an acetyl group and R³ is a C₁-C₆ alkyl group, a cycloalkyl group or



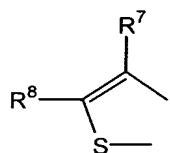
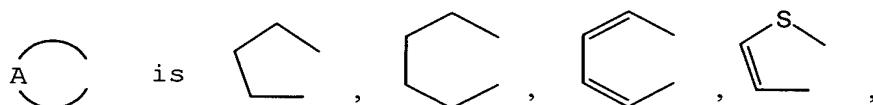
wherein R⁴ and R⁵ are each independently a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₆ alkyl group, and in



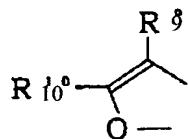
of the formula (II), R² and R³ may be linked to each other to form



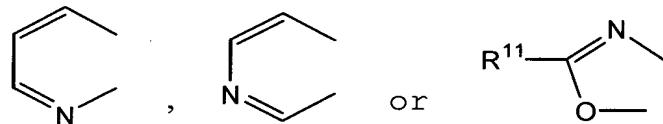
wherein R⁶ is a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₆ alkyl group;



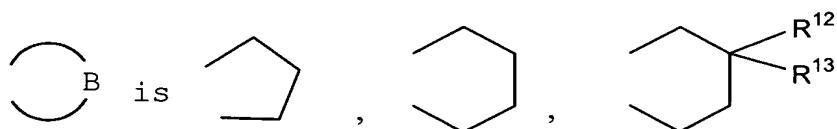
wherein R⁷ and R⁸ are each independently a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₄ alkyl group,



wherein R⁹ and R¹⁰ are each independently a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₄ alkyl group,



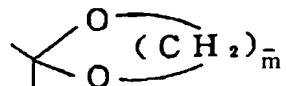
wherein R¹¹ is a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₄ alkyl group; and



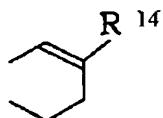
wherein R¹² and R¹³ are each independently a C₁-C₄ alkyl group or may be linked to each other to form



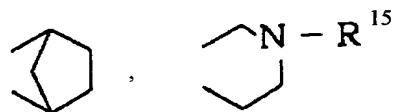
wherein n is an integer of 2 to 6, or



wherein m is an integer of 2 or 3,



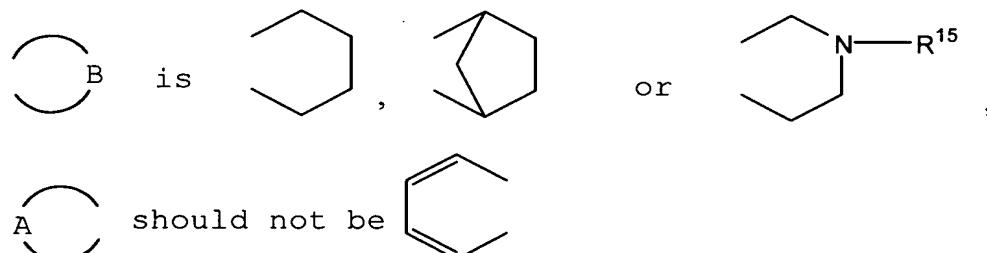
wherein R^{14} is a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₄ alkyl group,



wherein R^{15} is a hydrogen atom or an aralkyl group, or

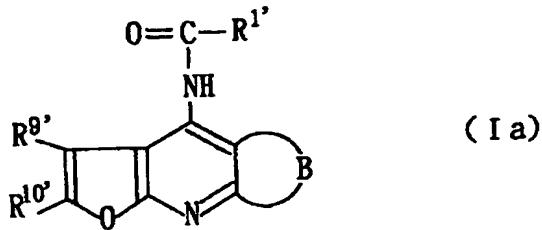


provided that when

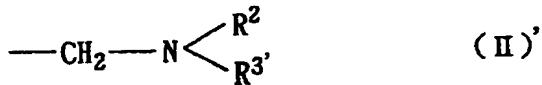


and R^7 should not be a hydrogen atom, an enantiomer thereof, an acid addition salt thereof, or a hydrate or solvate thereof.

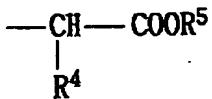
2. (Original) The therapeutic agent of claim 1, wherein the compound of the formula (I) is a compound of the formula (Ia)



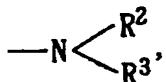
wherein $R^{1'}$ is a C₂-C₆ alkyl group or the formula (II)'



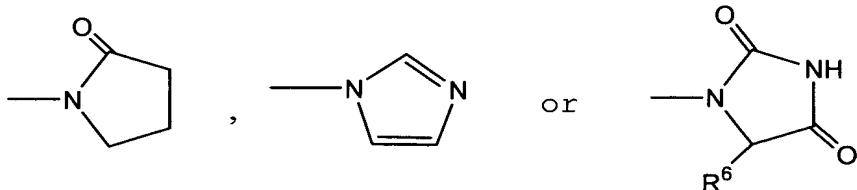
wherein R^2 is a hydrogen atom or an acetyl group, and $R^{3'}$ is a C₁-C₆ alkyl group or



wherein R^4 and R^5 are each independently a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₆ alkyl group, and in

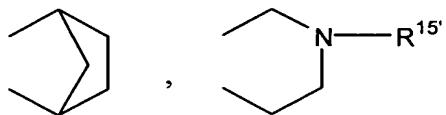


of the formula (II)', R^2 and $R^{3'}$ may be linked to each other to form



wherein R^6 is a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₆ alkyl group;

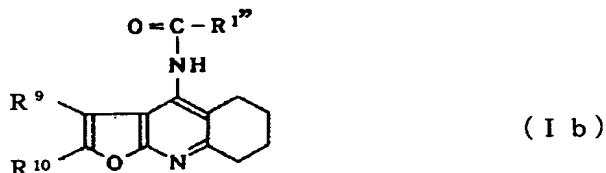
R^9' and $R^{10'}$ are each independently a C₁-C₄ alkyl group; and



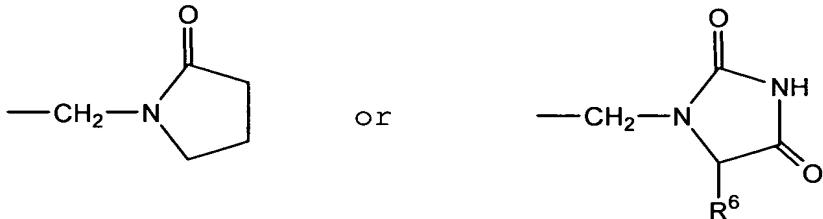
wherein R^{15'} is an aralkyl group, or



3. (Original) The therapeutic agent of claim 1, wherein the compound of the formula (I) is a 4-acylamino-5,6,7,8-tetrahydrofuro[2,3-b]quinoline derivative of the formula (Ib)



wherein R^{17'} is a C₂-C₆ alkyl group,



wherein R⁶ is a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₆ alkyl group; and

R⁹ and R¹⁰ are each independently a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₄ alkyl group.

4. (Original) The therapeutic agent of claim 1, wherein the compound of the formula (I) is 2-(2-oxopyrrolidin-1-yl)-N-(2,3-dimethyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydrofuro[2,3-b]quinolin-4-yl)acetamide.

5. (Currently Amended) The therapeutic agent of ~~any of claims 1-4~~ claim 1, wherein the condition of schizophrenia is a negative symptom or a cognitive disorder.

6. (New) The therapeutic agent of claim 2, wherein the condition of schizophrenia is a negative symptom or a cognitive disorder.

7. (New) The therapeutic agent of claim 3, wherein the condition of schizophrenia is a negative symptom or a cognitive disorder.

8. (New) The therapeutic agent of claim 4, wherein the condition of schizophrenia is a negative symptom or a cognitive disorder.